



By His Excellency Ned Lamont, Governor: an

Official Statement

*W*HEREAS, throughout our history, men and women have bravely served our nation in the United States Armed Forces and fought to protect our freedom; and

*W*HEREAS, many of those who served in conflict did not return home, and remain missing in action or unaccounted for; and

*W*HEREAS, POW/MIA Recognition Day gives us an opportunity to remember those still missing in action from all wars, and reflect upon the unyielding courage and heroism of American prisoners of war; and

*W*HEREAS, the State of Connecticut honors these extraordinarily-patriotic men and women of our Armed Forces, and reserves special honor for POW/MIA families; and

*W*HEREAS, Connecticut is proud to have the POW/MIA flag flying over the Capitol as a constant reminder of the sacrifices made by prisoners of war and those missing in action, and the sacrifices of their loved ones, as a tribute to their memory; and

*W*HEREAS, the citizens of Connecticut wish to recognize, honor, and show appreciation to all servicemembers, both past and present, and extend special gratitude to those who have been prisoners of war and those still missing in action; now

*T*HEREFORE, I, Ned Lamont, Governor of the State of Connecticut, do hereby officially proclaim September 20, 2019, as

POW/MIA RECOGNITION DAY

in the State of Connecticut, and offer my utmost appreciation and admiration for the sacrifices Armed Forces servicemembers have made for the United States of America and its citizens.



Ned Lamont

GOVERNOR